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IN RE THE APPLICATION OF

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2002

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the application be amended as follows:

## In the Claims

Amend claim 11 as follows:

- 11. (Amended) A method of making a high power ridge waveguide laser diode with front and back facets each with a mirror, *including*
- providing at least one unpumped end section by inserting a patterned isolation layer (11, 13) between the laser diode's active region (2, 3, 4) and a metallization (6) injecting carriers into said active region.